

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



FISCAL NOTE

HB 2258 - SB 2326

March 12, 2009

SUMMARY OF BILL: Authorizes students to graduate solely by attending an alternative school.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Local Expenditures – Net Impact – Not Significant/Permissive

Assumptions:

- According to a 2006-07 survey done by the Department of Education, the average stay for a student in an alternative education program was 59 days. This is roughly one-third of the total 180 annually required instructional days.
- Each local education agency (LEA) set policies regarding how alternative education is run.
- LEAs may permit students to graduate based on attendance in an alternative school. LEAs may choose to expand their alternative education programs to accommodate more students. The number of students affected is unknown.
- The net impact on local expenditures is estimated to be not significant.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "James W. White".

James W. White, Executive Director

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